C. H. Martin Collection of Lincolniana
MS 16

Summary Information
Creator

Title
C. H. Martin Collection of Lincolniana

Dates
ca. 1863-1962, 1934-1952 (bulk)

Extent
1 LF (2 ms. boxes)

Arrangement
The collection is arranged into five principal series: C.H. Martin papers, Lincoln biography, Lincoln commemoratives, Lincoln iconography, and miscellaneous materials. Each series is subdivided into sub series based on the nature of the material.

Language of Materials
All materials in English.

Abstract
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Subjects
Lincoln, Abraham, 1809-1865.
Lincoln, Abraham, 1809-1865--Pictorial works.
Lincoln, Abraham, 1809-1865--Societies, etc.

**Administrative Information**

**Acquisition Information**

**Custodial History (Provenance)**
All of the materials in this collection were donated to Franklin and Marshall College’s Archives and Special Collections in 2002 by Pamela Nelson. They were collected by her grandfather, C. H. Martin of Lancaster, a member of the Lincoln Fellowship of Pennsylvania. Other materials from C. H. Martin’s collection are in the possession of the Lancaster County Historical Society.

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**Processing Information**
Processed by Michael Lear, November 2003. Description based on DACS.

**Accruals**
No further accruals are expected.

**Additional Information**

**Related Materials**
Additional C. H. Martin material believed to be in: [Collections], Lancaster County Historical Society, 230 N. President Ave., Lancaster, PA

W. W. Griest Collection of Lincolniana (MS 22), Archives and Special Collections, Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, PA

Vincent Fowler Pottle Collection of Lincolniana (MS 23), Archives and Special Collections, Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, PA

**Historical/Biographical Information**
Christian Hess Martin was born on November 28, 1882 in Manor Township, the son of John J. and Anna Hess Martin. After attending Millersville State Teacher’s College and Pennsylvania Business College, Martin taught school in Manheim Township from 1901-
1908. In 1908 he became a state revenue collector and served in various posts until the early 1930s.

Martin had a life long interest in history and joined the Lancaster County Historical Society in 1913. A noted numismatist, collector of Lincolnniana, and authority on Abraham Lincoln, he wrote various pieces for the LCCHS, and served as its Treasurer from 1935-1955. Martin helped to organize and served as President of the Lincoln Fellowship of Pennsylvania. He was also active as a Manheim Township Justice of the Peace, member of St. Peter’s Evangelical and Lutheran Church, member of Society of the War of 1812 and the Sons of the Revolution, and member of the Executive Boards of the Pennsylvania German Society and Pennsylvania Federation of Historical Societies.

C.H. Martin died on April 13, 1956.

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Inventory/Contents
Series I  C.H. Martin Papers
(Box/Folder)
1/1  Notes/correspondence with witnesses to Lincoln in Lancaster/Central PA
1/2  Personal Correspondence
1/3  Lincoln Fellowship photos/articles about.

Series II  Lincoln Biographical Material
Newspaper, Magazine Articles
1/4-1/5  Newspaper clippings and magazine articles on Abraham Lincoln 1930s-1950s
1/6  Newspaper clippings and magazine articles on George Washington 1930s-1950s
OSDR  12 illustrated pages of Lincoln and Civil War from London Illustrated news and Le Monde Illustré’ ca. 1860s.
OSDR  Newspaper- Richmond Enquirer, March 28, 1872 with Lincoln article.
News and Views magazine -Caterpillar Tractor Co. Sept 17, 1948 (New Salem)
News and Views magazine -Caterpillar Tractor Co. Feb 4, 1949 (Lincoln Landmark)
The Abraham Lincoln Quarterly, September 1949
1/8  Articles and photos of “Lincoln the Frontiersman” sculpture by Avard Banks
**Pamphlets, Booklets**

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1/10
*Addresses on Abraham Lincoln*, Louis A. Warren. n.d.
*Little known Lincoln episodes* by Louis A. Warren, 1937.
*Little known Lincoln humor* by Louis A. Warren, 1937.
*Little known facts about the Gettysburg address* by Louis A. Warren, 1938.
*Little known facts about Thanksgiving and Lincoln’s proclamation* by Louis A. Warren, 1939.
*Little known boyhood adventures of Abraham Lincoln* by Louis A. Warren, 1940.

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*New Salem Village: Photographic Views and Brief Historical Sketch*, 1938.
*February 12, 1950: Let us Celebrate the Greatness of this Man*  
*Lincoln Topics* compiled by M.L. Houser-Bradley University, Peoria IL 1951  
*State Parks and Memorials State of Illinois*, (with Lincoln sites) n.d.

**Series III**  
**Lincoln Commemoratives**

**Advertising**

1/12
Ta-Non-Ka Bond paper commemorative flyers of Gettysburg address.  
Lincoln's restaurant placemat.  
36th annual statement *The Lincoln National Life Co. 1940*  
46th annual statement *The Lincoln National Life Co. 1950*  
Gettysburg address- Hotel Gettysburg-Gettysburg, PA, 1950.  
Selected United States Government publications flyer, 1951

**Ephemera**

1/13
Birthday card-Lincoln National Life Insurance ,with Lincoln portrait, 1944.  
Flyer- Lincoln Library-Shippensburg, PA quotes of Lincoln.  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania $1,000 Bond certificate with portrait of Lincoln.  
Lincoln medallion and letter to Mrs. Bixby print-Supplement to North American, Philadelphia Feb 10, 1918.  
Lincoln Fellowship of Southern California 14th annual meeting commemorative “An immortal Lincoln Trilogy”  
Lincoln’s Gettysburg address- printed by Maple Press, York  
Lincoln Farm Association membership certificate, 1909.  
Resolutions adopted by the National Division of the Sons of Temperance of North America in Memory of Abraham Lincoln.  
Church offering envelope, Moravian Church, Lititz, Sept 3, 1950 with picture of Lincoln.
Postcards-
Lincoln’s address Nov 19, 1863.
Lincoln Funeral car souvenir of GAR 42nd encampment.
Letter to Joshua Speed.
Lincoln’s birthplace, Lincoln’s Home, Springfield.
Abraham Lincoln, 1809-1865.
Our Martyred Presidents- Lincoln, Garfield, McKinley.
Ford’s Theatre- House in which Lincoln Died.
Abraham Lincoln’s Old Home, Springfield
Interior view Abraham Lincoln’s Old Home, Springfield.
Abraham Lincoln’s Log Cabin.
Lincoln penny postcards
Lincoln the President
Abraham Lincoln-Prudential Insurance Co.

Facsimiles-
Facsimiles Lincoln to Mrs. Bixby letters
5 sheets of political cartoon reprints
Facsimile copies Lincoln Hartford Fire Insurance policy.

Event Programs/Invitations
Theatre programs- The Playgoer- Raymond Massey “Abe Lincoln in Illinois” n.d.
Program- 8th annual Banquet of the Young Republicans of Lancaster, PA 1922.
Veteran’s Invitation to 75th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg, 1938.
Lincoln Day Dinner-under the auspices of the Cabell County Republican Committee, Huntington, WV, 1946
Program- 86th anniversary of Lincoln’s Gettysburg address, 1949
Program- 87th anniversary of Lincoln’s Gettysburg address, 1950
Programs- 88th anniversary of Lincoln’s Gettysburg address, 1951
Flyer “Forever this Land: a drama of Lincoln’s New Salem” 1952
Programs- WMRR “Mr. Lincoln Goes to Gettysburg” reenactment, 1952.
Program- 46th annual Banquet of the Peoria Bar Association, 1952.
Commencement program- Penn State Univ, 1962.

Series IV Lincoln Iconography
Photo Images
Cover- Ladies’ Home Journal, February 1919
Cover- [Saturday evening Post] April 194?
Cover- The American Legion Magazine, February 1951.
Cover- Colliers, February 16, 1952.
Photo- Lincoln portrait by Penrhyn Stanslaws from unknown magazine.
Photograph of Lincoln speaking (taken from a print?)
Photo (of painting) Lincoln taking Oath of office.
Copy of Lincoln etching profile.
**Engravings**

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Engraving- “A. Lincoln, Abraham Lincoln President of the United States Assassinated April 14, 1865.” by J.C. Buttre.
Engraving- “Lincoln family” by A.B. Walker.
Engraving- “President Lincoln and his cabinet with Lt Gen Scott...”
Engraving- “President and Cabinet” by J.C. Buttre.
Engraving- “A. Lincoln”, President 1861-1865 engraved by Wellstood & Co.
Engraving- “A. Lincoln” by R. Whitechurch
Engraving- “A. Lincoln” by Manhattan Engraving Co.
Engraving- “A. Lincoln”
Engraving- “A. Lincoln” Likeness from a recent photograph from Life by Johnson and Fry Publishers, 1862. (2 items)
Engraving- Bust of Lincoln by Jones sc. and F.T. Stuart, eng.
Engraving- A. Lincoln from the original by Chappel in the possession of the publishers, Johnson and Fry, Publishers. 1870.

**Lithographs**

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Litho- “President Lincoln entering Richmond”, Derby and Miller, 1865.
Litho- “The last Rites at Oakwood, near Springfield”. Ca. 1865.
Litho- “A. Lincoln”
Litho- [Lincoln and advisors] by Reinhart
Lithographs of Lincoln from painting
Litho- Lincoln emancipation statue
Litho- Lincoln at desk
Litho- The Home of President Lincoln, Springfield, IL
Lincoln portrait- chromolithograph
Chromolithograph- Abraham Lincoln- art supplement to Philadelphia Press.

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Framed chromolithograph of Lincoln

**Series V**

**Miscellaneous items**

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Broadsided- “Public Lecture-Four Years in Secessia!” by Mrs. E.C. Kent Sunday August 12th at Fulton Hall.
Broadsidosed- “Ritner Meeting” for election of Jos. Ritner as Governor-
September 26, 18[ ]
Envelope- Commodore Watson commemorative.
Notice of Payment due to John Wilson, Reamstown, from Northern Mutual Insurance Co., 1849.

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Notes for address or lecture before F&M economics class March 20, 1941.
Lecture/address notes.
Pamphlet- “The Military sanitation of Moses in the light of modern knowledge”
Anti-Roosevelt flyers by E.M. Biggers, 1943.

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Newspaper clippings- local history articles, Pennsylvania Week, September 16-24 1946 in Lancaster New Era.